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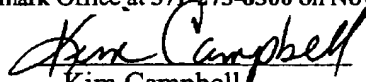
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED**May 16, 2005**

Dear Sir:

Applicants' respond herewith to the outstanding Office Action dated May 16, 2005.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2 of this Amendment and Response.**Remarks** begin at page 4 of this Amendment and Response.**Conclusion** begin at page 8 of this Amendment and Response.